

Docket No.: 22841-018



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Paul NICOLSON, et al. :  
Serial No.: 09/640,526 : Group Art Unit: 1714  
Filed: August 17, 2000 : Examiner: Paul R. Michl  
For: EXTENDED WEAR OPHTHALMIC LENS

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 22, 2002, ("Office Action") please amend the claims as set forth below and enter the following remarks.

### **In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

5192. (Twice Amended). A siloxane hydrogel contact lens having modified surfaces, said hydrogel contact lens comprising a core polymeric material having an oxygen permeability equal to or greater than 69 barrers, said hydrogel contact lens being suited to make contact with ocular tissue and ocular fluids and having a high oxygen permeability and a high ion permeability, said core polymeric material being formed from polymerizable materials comprising:

- (a) an oxyperm polymerizable material, and
- (b) an ionoperm polymerizable material,

wherein said lens has a high oxygen permeability and allows ion or water permeation in an amount sufficient to enable the lens to move on the eye such that corneal health is not

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